

REMARKS

Applicants file this Supplemental Reply to the Non-Final Office Action mailed on April 10, 2007 within the shortened three month period for reply. Claims 1-5, 7-9, 12-20 and 22-24 were pending and the Examiner rejects these claims. Applicants further amend claim 1 to simply clarify that the proffered biometric samples are different samples from the same person (e.g., a thumb print and a retina scan). Applicants also cancel claim 25 without prejudice to filing one or more claims having similar subject matter because Applicants are already pursuing method claims in U.S. Serial No. 10/710,335. Applicants add new claims 26-30. Support for the amendments and new claims may be found in the originally-filed specification, claims, and figures. No new matter has been introduced by these amendments and new claims. For example, claims 26-29 are supported in the specification at, for example, paragraphs [00164] -[00237] and claim 30 is supported in the specification at, for example, [00246] – [00248]. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

The same reasons in the Reply filed on June 29, 2007 for differentiating the present claims from the cited references apply to the claims set forth herein, so additional explanations are not necessary in this Supplemental Reply.

Moreover, new claims 26-30 depend from independent claim 1, so claims 26-30 are differentiated from the cited references for the same reasons as set forth in the Reply filed on June 29, 2007, in addition to their own respective features. For example, along with the many other elements of claim 1 which are not disclosed by Hohle 6,199,762, new claim 26 significantly improves upon Hohle by configuring the verification device to activate the update logic system upon verification of said first proffered biometric sample and said second biometric sample, wherein the biometric samples are different types of samples from the same person.

Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the application is thus requested. **The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to**

Deposit Account No. 19-2814. Applicants invite the Examiner to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner has any questions regarding this Reply or the application in general.

Respectfully submitted,

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